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Vicki Brooker photo

Shootout at the A. G. Ross corral

The Chocolate Sundae Shootout at the end of the second Elk Point Micro Novice Avalanche game on Saturday kept the goalies on their toes as the area's smallest hockey stars took aim at the net, while delighted parents and grandparents cheered them on.

Chamber looking forward to further enhancement for 'Cars, Crafts and Cuisine'

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce started off the new year with discussions of the association's involvement in one of Elk Point's best-loved events, the Auto Club Show and Shine.

Sandy Smith, who retired from the chamber executive at the end of the December meeting but is still eager to see the show expand, was on hand and eager to get busy with her promised involvement in this year's 'Cars, Crafts and Cuisine.' She hopes to add bounce castles for the youngsters, more games for the adults and more entertainment to

the lineup for the June 2 event, and also announced plans to restrict activities to the area south of 50th Avenue, citing safety concerns and the need for more parking spaces. Games will be held on the staging area near the EcoCentre, she noted.

"We just got our feet wet with this last year," Smith said, and despite a cooler-than-hoped-for day, "I think it went well. It brings business into town."

Smith plans to send information and registration packages out to potential vendors by the end of the month, hoping to be first in the lineup of locations where they could display and sell their merchandise.

Annual meeting

The chamber's annual meeting is coming up Wednesday, Feb. 8, with a full slate of potential candidates indicating they would be willing to fill the executive chairs, although additional nominations are being sought and would be more than welcome. A brief business meeting will follow the AGM, where meeting dates and times, along with the 2013 membership fees, will be determined.

Memberships

Acting president Debra McQuinn reported that she has done a mass e-mail of 2012 membership applications to local businesses, with some response already coming in.



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COUNTY OF ST. PAUL No.19



HIGHLIGHTS January 10, 2012 Council Meeting

Municipal Climate Change Action (MCCAC) – The County of St. Paul is the first Alberta municipality to secure funding from the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC). We will receive \$10,000 for capital costs for implementing an energy efficiency retrofit in the Public Works shop. We have also signed a Bonus Funding Agreement which provides a rebate based on measuring and verifying the energy reductions achieved in the year following completion of the energy retrofit project. The greater the reductions achieved, the greater the bonus rebate.

Equipment for Public Works Department – Council approved the purchase of the following equipment, as per the 2012 Strategic Plan:

- 3 – 14M Cat Graders with a trade in of three (3) graders for a cash difference of \$793,400
- 1 – Volvo Rock Truck for \$402,800

Agreement with Frog Lake Minor Sports – Council agreed to enter into an agreement with Frog Lake Minor Sports to use the Whitney Lake Ball Diamonds from May 15 to September 30, 2012.

Strategic Plans – The 4th quarter update to the 2011 Strategic Plan is now complete. Council approved the 2012 Strategic Plan with consideration to the feedback received at the Public Consultation meetings held at the beginning of November. Both Strategic Plans can be viewed on the County's website.

2012 Salary Approval – Council approved a 3% Cost of Living Allowance adjustment for all employees and an additional 10.6% increase for the CAO in order to adjust the salary for that position to fall within the average salary range as reported on the 2011 AAMD&C Salary Survey. A \$400 Health Spending Account will also be implemented for all employees and Council members who are eligible for benefits.

Cemeteries – At the request of the St. Paul Diocese, the County will be taking title to both the Starosielski Cemetery located in SE 18-60-11-W4 and the Heinsburg Cemetery located in NW 22-55-4-W4. Both cemeteries are currently inactive.

Veteran's Memorial Highway Association – Council decided to become a member of the Veteran's Memorial Highway Association and to appoint Councillor Sloan and Councillor Fodness as alternate to the board. A meeting will be held at the beginning of February to gather information on issues or concerns regarding Highway 36.

Mutual Fire Aid Agreement – Council approved an updated Mutual Fire Aid Agreement with the County of Vermilion River. The Agreement formalizes the rights and obligations for the supply of fire suppression services between the neighboring municipalities.

Funding Support –

- \$500 – U16 & U18 Rhinos Volleyball
- \$100 – St. Paul Farmerettes
- \$500 – St. Paul Pee Wee Hockey Team to attend Winter Games
- \$300 – St. Paul Junior Curling Association

Correction to December Highlights:

Elk Point / St. Paul Regional Water Commission – Councillor Fodness Martin, Councillor Dach and Reeve Upham were appointed to the Commission, with Councillor Ockerman as alternate.

A two-page newsletter prepared by the FCSS Department along with a Water News Information insert has been circulated to all County mailboxes

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County approves ball diamond use

By CIARAN THOMPSON
Review Contributor

The County of St. Paul met on Jan. 10 and decided to retain its membership in the Veteran's Memorial Highway Association for this year. Council will pay \$592 and has appointed Coun. Frank Sloan to be the designated member to attend an upcoming meeting on Feb. 10, in Lac La Biche.

The meeting has been set up to gather information from the members about issues or concerns regarding Highway 36. Coun. Maxine Fodness has been appointed as the alternate to the board.

According to Sloan, the goal is to turn Highway 36 into a corridor from Fort McMurray on the eastern part of the province.

"Once you get a corridor you bring development," he said. "Garages, service stations and everything else."

The County has agreed it's important to pay the fee so that they can have a say in any changes being made to the highway.

Road Infrastructure

Council agreed to distance itself from the collaborative project between the County of Vermilion River, MD of Bonnyville and County of Two Hills, which is aimed at developing strategies surrounding road infrastructure affected by heavy oil operations.

CAO Sheila Kitz said in an email that the Public Works office has worked hard at establishing a good relationship with the oil industry in the area.

Lobbying the provincial government to look at different funding formulas for municipalities will have an adverse affect on the funding assistance already negotiated with the oil industry players in the St. Paul area, she added.

Heinsburg and Starosielski cemeteries

Upon request from the St. Paul Diocese in November, the County decided to assume ownership of the Starosielski Cemetery located on SE 18-60-11-W4 and the Heinsburg Cemetery, located at NW 22-55-4-W4.

Council passed a motion to register the cemeteries with land titles and according to a letter from the Diocese, all county residents will now likely feel at home burying their deceased in either of those two ceme-

teries. Both will be designated as community cemeteries.

Sports Funding

Frog Lake Minor Sports will be allowed to use the Whitney Lake ball diamonds from May. 15 to Sept. 30, 2012, council decided. Frog Lake Minor Sports will not be charged rent to use the diamonds, however they must fix up the area as well as carry liability insurance to protect them against any injury or negligence on the property.

Council donated \$500 to the St. Paul Pee Wee A Canadiens to compete in the 2012 Alberta Winter Games tournament that takes place Feb. 9 to 12 in Spruce Grove, Stony Plain and Parkland County.

Celebrating their 50th Annual Bonspiel, the St. Paul Farmerettes have been given a \$100 donation from the County, which has contributed funds to the event each year since 2009.

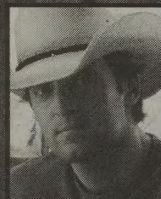
A donation to the U14 and U16 girls volleyball teams playing under the Rhino Club name has been approved by County. The teams will compete in three upcoming tournaments in Edmonton and Calgary. Formerly called the Lakeland Sharks, the Bonnyville-based squads have several players from St. Paul, Elk Point and Cold Lake. They will also be competing in the provincial tournament in Edmonton on May 5 as well as nationals in Toronto on May 19.

Danyluk acclaimed as PC candidate

By STAFF WRITERS

The Lac La Biche – St. Paul – Two Hills Progressive Conservative Association acclaimed MLA Ray Danyluk as the party's candidate for the constituency, president Darrel Youngmans confirmed last week.

The association will meet at the Ashmont Agriplex to announce the acclamation on Jan. 24 at 7 p.m.



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Looking back at 2011: July through December

THIS WEEK, WE CONTINUE OUR JOURNEY THROUGH THE HEADLINE NEWS OF 2011, WITH A LOOK AT THE TOP STORIES FROM JULY TO DECEMBER...

July

Pancakes and a long, colourful parade started off Canada Day, which continued with nonstop activities right up to the late evening fireworks... A record high of 342 entries competed in the 49th annual Stoney Lake Stampede... Northern Valley's St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church celebrated its centennial, with worshippers overflowing the church for the special commemorative service... Elk Point Canada Day Committee praised the efforts of the countless volunteers who worked together to create and carry out a memorable July 1 celebration... Sunshine, fun and saskatoon combined to make a success of the Saskatoon Festival at Fort George and Buckingham House historic site... The County of St. Paul voted to support a water pipeline to Elk Point... An unprecedented influx of 238 teams of ropers and more than 100 barrel racers marked the 20th anniversary of the C. G. Baker Memorial Arena with a weekend of competition... Elk Point Midget Sox were off to minor ball Provincials in Red Deer...

August

Elk Point Water Spray Park was officially opened, with MLA Ray Danyluk handing over the ribbon-cutting scissors to a lineup of enthusiastic youngsters who will enjoy the facility for years to come... Potholes on Railway Avenue and uneven sidewalks along 50 Ave were concerns brought to town council... A week of heavy rainfall brought 50 Ave construction to a halt, with the street looking more like an outdoor pool at one point... Team roper Steve Brooks qualified to take part in the World Series of Team Roping in Las Vegas... Millie Orr's name was back on the Elk Point Agricultural Society Horticulture and Craft Show's grand aggregate plaque after more than 20 years... Wildrose leader Danielle Smith and local candidate Shane Saskiw and listened attentively to local concerns... The 2008 Elk Point Oilmen's Golf Tournament winner, Norm Quinney III, claimed his second championship flight victory... Elk Point 4-H horse project members hosted their first-ever 4-H rodeo, with great horsemanship and keen competition... Minister of Seniors and Community Supports Mary Anne Jablonski and Minister of Infrastructure Ray Danyluk met with Elk Point Interagency Health Committee to hear concerns regarding seniors' housing... A new bylaw outlawed unsightly and untidy premises, shaggy boulevards and lanes, weeds and dismantled vehicles under council's scrutiny...

September

F. G. Miller High School started the year looking forward to renovations that will create "a great gym, a safe gym," announced by MLA Ray Danyluk... Casey Lawes of Provost, 20, was named Lakeland Rodeo Association Cowboy of the Year, the award's youngest-ever recipient... More than 20 four- and five-generation families were honoured for their commitment to the community at the annual Grandparents Day celebration... Frog Lake celebrated the grand opening of their new multipurpose arena and administration building, with Fred Saskamoose, the first-ever First Nations NHL player, among the special guests... Elk Point

Elementary School learned that the school had been short-listed for a Garfield Weston award for excellence in education... Elk Point Auto Club visited town council, seeking assurance that their vehicles in progress would not contravene the new unsightly premises bylaw... Heinsburg hosted over 80 participants for a trail ride on the Iron Horse Trail as a fundraiser for Haying in the 30s... F. G. Miller ranked 15th out of 276 schools in the Fraser Institute's report on academic achievement in the 1009-2010 school year.

October

Elk Point celebrated the dedicated efforts of current and past members and staff of the RCMP and EMS with a special service at the Elk Point United Church, with a number of past RCMP members welcomed back to share the special day... Town council approved updated bylaws dealing with garbage, off-highway vehicles and noise... Elk Point Recreation Department was excited when over 60 students turned out for free Karate-Do beginner lessons, sponsored by the town... Lack of volunteer time prompted the need for cutbacks in activities for the Christmas Extravaganza... The inaugural 42-km Iron Horse Marathon got off to a chilly start at the Elk Point staging area, as a new companion feature of the Iron Horse Ultra 100 mile and 100 km races... Upgrading of Elk Point's sewage lagoon was a high priority for town council... Elk Point's waste collection site was chosen from among 420 sites serving 5,000 or less population to win a 2011 Collection Site of Excellence award... Elk Point chamber of commerce discussed the possibility of reverting to all lunchtime meetings, going to one meeting per month and changing the week that meeting would be held, but agreed that the change could only become official after the 2012 annual meeting.

November

Cartoons and storybook characters came to life at the Ukrainian Dance Club's well-attended family Halloween party... The draft of the County of St. Paul and town of Elk Point's Inter-Municipal Development Plan was unveiled to stakeholders, with good response to the concepts contained in it... Alberta TOPS weight loss king, Ken Ralstin of St. Paul, shared his secrets of success and plenty of encouraging words with the local TOPS group... Minor hockey was in full swing, with all five local teams seeing action on the weekend... For the first time anyone could remember, rain dampened the laying of Remembrance Day wreaths at Elk Point's cenotaph... Local schools also held Remembrance Day ceremonies, prior to their long weekend break... Elk Point Peewee Avalanche rumbled over three visiting teams as they hosted the first minor hockey tournament of the season... Council suffered a setback on the town's solar lighting when it was discovered the lights could not be used on 54 Street because of the power lines... The absence of a parade cut down on the crowds at Extravaganza, with a significant decrease in evening shoppers in the downtown area... Elk Point Minor Ball won the Small Association of the Year award from Baseball Alberta.

December

The year wrapped up with a plump porker getting a kiss from Heinsburg Community School principal Darcy Youngmans, crime statistics decreasing significantly from

last year, seven churches taking part in the interfaith cantata, Elk Point schools gathering up a truckload of groceries for Santas Anonymous hampers, churches and Community Choir holding concerts, Elk Point Elementary School's capacity-crowd concerts and F. G. Miller's 2012 grad class and staff cooking a feast for schoolmates and special guests.

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EDITORIAL

A great team

At the beginning of each new year, the management of Great West Newspapers pays tribute to those who have served its member papers well over the years, after they have reached five-year milestones.

Last year, *St. Paul Journal* and *Elk Point Review* production manager Marge Smith and your editor were honoured for 25 and 30 years respectively. This year, Great West honoured Claudette Lefebvre, who works on both production and circulation for both papers, and who marked her 35th anniversary in the newspaper industry, and publisher Clare Gauvreau, a F. G. Miller graduate who started her career with the *Journal* after completing college and who returned there 10 years ago after pursuing other interests. We were also pleased and proud to honour our Sportshound, Doug Bassett, whose totally volunteer efforts for more than 15 years have chronicled the sports history of countless local youths, including the rise of Mark Letestu from minor hockey to the NHL.

Next year, advertising and office manager Melanie McRae will be honoured for 10 years of service, a milestone she passed the month.

Together, with a combined 125-plus years of experience under our belts, we make an outstanding team.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Snow forts, Skate-a-thon, snowbound

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 17 IN...

1987

Marnie McCowan was Elk Point's new FCSS Director, and looked forward to working with residents and groups, and to developing a number of exciting new programs. Chris Shankowski, Gail Hurtubise, Donna Slywka and Barb Anderson won a hard-fought Zone 7 playoff and was off to the Northern District Curling Playoffs in Edson.

1992

Fort George - Buckingham House Bicentennial coordinator Billie Milholland started off the Bicentennial year by judging fur trade-style snow forts, with the assistance of Wayne Hymanyk, Randall Kryss and Terri Ehlert. Elk Point Capitol Raiders topped an eight-team Atom hockey tournament, winning the final over Bonnyville Buffaloes.

1997

Doug Bassett, Sue Campbell, Colton Hoffman, Daylan Hoffman, Blake Brodwin, Ryan MacDonald, Renee Adams and Natalie Maas were the winners at the Elk Point Skating Club's annual Skate-a-Thon. Longtime school bus driver Joe Brunner was honored by F. G. Miller High School students and staff on his retirement.

2002

Elk Point Ukrainian Dance Club whirled into the new year with their hugely successful Malanka celebration. Concerns with safe sledding locations for local youngsters were brought to the Community Advisory Policing Committee after children were observed sledding in ditch banks and the big snow piles in the town office/RCMP and Elk Point Co-op parking lots.

2007

Elk Point dug out of massive drifts after the worst winter storm in decades dumped huge amounts of snow on the community, with strong winds blowing the white stuff into drifts which clogged roads and closed schools and downtown businesses. Financial help for the proposed allied arts centre would have to wait, although town council agreed the project would be a major plus for the community.

GUEST COLUMN

Fast and slow

There is a classic poem called: "Fast and Slow," which was published in the book *Fast and Slow: Poems for Advanced Children and Beginning Parents* (1975). The poet is John L. Ciardi who lived between 1916 and 1986. I would like to quote a few lines from that poem which really is classic poetry.

*The old crow is getting slow;
The young crow is not.
Of what the young crow does not know
The old crow knows a lot.
At knowing things the old crow
Is still the young crow's master.
What does the slow old crow not know?
How to go faster.
The young crow flies above, below,
And rings around the slow old crow.
What does the fast young crow not know?
Where to go.*

This poem is something to think about when you think about all that is going on in the world.

Gaining information and communicating with one another has really changed over the years. For example, when I was in Elementary School back in the 1950s, and the Korean War began, our teacher turned the radio on and we were able to hear the news over the radio. Further information was only by radio or newspaper. Today that would not be the case. We would probably watch pictures of the happening on television or our iPhones. Times have really changed and it has happened in only a few years of our life time.

To verify this change, let me ask you if you heard Pres.

The Elk Point Review publishes a variety of opinions as a contribution to debate on matters of public concern. Unsigned editorials express the view of this newspaper's editorial board which includes the Publisher and the Editor. Signed pieces express the view of the individual writer.



deanna
EASTHOPE
from the FCSS desk

Obama's talk about his strategy for slimmed-down military? United States President Barack Obama and Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta announced on January 5, 2012, their new strategy for trimming the U.S. defense budget by \$487 billion over the next decade. The cuts are the result of both economic constraints and America's gradual retreat from a decade of warfare. Both men promised, however, that the United States would not suffer any degradation in military capabilities

because of the budget trimming. This strategy foresees a smaller Army and Marine Corps, far less appetite for wars like those in Iraq and Afghanistan, greater emphasis on special operations forces and intelligence-gathering, and shifting focus to China and the Pacific. In other words, modern technology will be used more and war will basically be fought from a distance. Will it be better or more effective? That kind of measurement will be debated by many politicians in the years ahead.

When you think about changes, it would be safe to say that it is the young who seem to be introducing changes and telling the older that changes are better and they will be more effective. Yes, that may be true from some things. Again this is debatable. However, in referring back to the poem where it is pointed out that the young crow can go faster but the one thing he does not know is where to go. This is something to think about. Pres. Obama has come up with a change but it still involves fighting war more effectively. He didn't come up with strategy in stopping war all together. O.K., I know that is idealism. But, the bottom line is that the young don't know how to stop war - they don't know where to go to do that.

In other words, information gathering and spreading is only what it is. The big question becomes: "What do we do with information once we have it?" The person's mental ability to think, ponder, digest, select, and keep, is really the bottom line. In other words, whether you are young or old, what really matters is our ability to remember each other's importance - fast or slow is not the issue.

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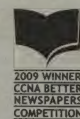


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Canada



Elk Point Micro Novice Avalanche had a great time showing off their skills at the tournament.

Crowd loves Micro Novice

All the tournaments this year have been great, but this one was likely the biggest event for the parents and grandparents. The A. G. Ross Arena was buzzing with excitement when the Micro Novice Avalanche hosted their home tournament.

At this level, winning and losing doesn't matter, it's all about the kids learning some skills, having fun and the grand parents spoiling them with treats after the game.

Everyone especially enjoyed the Chocolate Sundae Shootout. "King Kong Konner" Poitras and Jager Fontaine scoring hat tricks, some awesome cover checking by Rylee Warawa, Dean "the Machine" Ockerman, Brady Hymanyk, "St. Nic" Penner, Jaci Marcoux, Halle Moroziuk and her big brother Vanden "Mario" Moroziuk.

A huge pat on the back for a job well done by the team



**doug
BASSETT**

Review Sports

co-managers, Sandi Capjack and Margaret Bayduza, the coaching staff Robyn Moroziuk, Travis Hymanyk and Shane Fontaine, and of course all the parents. A big thanks to Bernie Poitras who did the announcing for the tournament and some really great play-by-play as well. And special appreciation to Margaret Bayduza, who is the ultimate multi-tasker, not only does she have four boys, two of which play hockey, she's co-manager of the Micro Novice, does the books for Minor Hockey and now is also secretary-treasurer of the Ag. Society and on top of all this; she usually stocks the pop and candy machine in her spare time.

Friday night the Atom No. 1 team hit the road to the Boarder City, coming home with a big 11 to 3 win. Devon "Naz" Nazarchuk with a hat trick, two each for the team "Captain" Dustyn Pankiw, Dylan "the Destroyer Ference and Darrian "the Dominator" Rybchinsky, singles for Hayden "Hot wheels" Ludlage and Kaiden "K Rock" Evans-Anderson. "Coast to Coast" Conner Lychak picking up two helpers. Colton "B Train" VanMaarion was between the pipes in this one and put on a stellar performance.

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Chill Out @ the Elk Point Library

BY BAILEY OSTER AND
DAPHNE SCHNURER

Elk Point Municipal
Library

This February, the Elk Point Municipal Library will be hosting "Chill Out @ Your Library," a free winter reading program for kids of all ages to keep them reading over the winter, while at the same time making it fun and enjoyable. A reading log will be given out to each child who participates, and if you can log a total of five reading hours for the month of February you will be entered to win a grand prize of a Kobo eReader! There are also lots

of other great prizes to be given out. Two reading program dates have been set; these are Monday, February 6 and Thursday, February 23. They will run from 3:45 - 5:00. There will be stories, games, crafts, and more! So

come and join us at the Elk Point Municipal Library for lots of fun, or call us at 780-724-3737 for more information.

Seniors, mark your calendar for the Seniors Tea on Wed., Feb. 15, one week

later than usual due to other bookings at the library.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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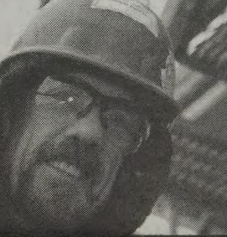
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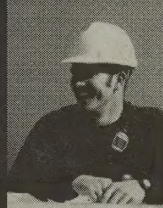
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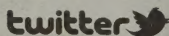
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Everything on the table in ASBA agreement talks

By **TIM BANMAN**
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The Alberta School boards Associated held its regularly scheduled meeting for board chairs, superintendents and secretary treasurers on Jan. 9. Attendees found out the deputy minister ad two ministry appointed lawyers told attendee and the lawyers are going to reach a provincial settlement for the Alberta teachers and boards in 10 days, the St. Paul Education Regional District (SPERD) trustees heard on Wednesday.

The lawyers have been appointed to hear sides in the tripartite agreement and "will solve the education budget in 10 days," chair Maureen Miller said. Everything is on the table, she added.

School Act

The board discussed the 10-point plan for the School Act. The government plans to introduce legislation in spring.

"Some of these have pretty serious financial implications," said trustee Ron Rudkowsky. "I wonder what caucus is going to say about this. I think a lot of them will have Xs beside them by the time its done." Full day kindergarten would have big implications, he added.

The 10-point plan includes reviewing provincial achievement tests, examining requirements for full-day kindergarten, reducing the administrative burden on charter schools, increasing opportunities for post-secondary credits in high school and reducing the amount of travel time for students who spend more than an hour on a bus and enabling students to better use technology when they travel.

Board notes

The division will not change its Grade 6 award this year from academic to outcome based, superintendent Glen Brodziak told the board. The board is considering changing its Grade 6 award to reflect new grading. The board will consider changes next year.

All staff have received handouts on the safe use of technology and social media, Brodziak reported. The board wants to be proactive, said Brodziak.

The board reviewed a letter from MLA Ray Danyluk informing the board it received \$20,000 for the Myrnam School playground from the Community Facility Enhancement Program.

Construction and demolition at Racette School has begun. The design for F.G. Miller School has been finalized.

Micro Novices

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Was it worth a try? I think so. On Sunday morning the Atom No. 1 hosted Mallaig in a very tight game, the Avalanche down 2 to 1, pulling their goalie in the final minute for the extra attacker trying desperately to tie this one up, the final 3 to 1 for Mallaig after they scored an empty netter. Team "Captain" Dustyn Pankiw scoring the lone goal for the Avalanche.

One thing I learned about hockey over the years is the game is a full 60 minutes; but it's won or lost every time you step on the ice. Winning every shift is how you win a hockey game. Taking the responsibility for your job on the ice, every shift, and picking up a man in your end of the ice is so very important and of course getting open in the oppositions end. If you don't do your job, your whole team will pay the price.

Four goals scored by Cold Lake in two minutes in the first period, otherwise the Pee wee Avalanche had a fairly close game with these guys, in fact they came within five seconds of winning, not the game mind you, but the third period, and that's a good place to start. Alex Hunter blowing the air horn with two goals in the second, both of them on

his own effort, Brodin "the Bull" Ference got loose with two in the third, one on a wrap around and one of them a wrist shot assisted by Brody "the Big O" Odgaard. Some solid forechecking by Lyon Cueva, Nicholas Tucker, and Ross McGillivray in the second and third periods. The speedster Chad "Pick Pocket" Poitras with some end-to-end rushes in the third, some nice big clean hits by Austin "Ozzie" Stafford, getting the boys fired up and solid defensive play by Warren Ference who also laid a few guys out. Goalie Garrett McGillivray had a tough start, but really closed the door on Cold Lake in the third. Somehow you need to slow down the game when the cart is going off the track and tipping over. It's easy to say when you're sitting up in the stands coaching, not so easy on the bench; if it was, everyone would want to do it!

And now for the K.A.Campbell quote of the week. "They always try to play with our minds. But that won't work with our club. We've got twenty guys without brains." Last week's answer to: "Balanced is probably what I am, although that's just a polite way to say that you don't do anything very well." — Steve Yzerman.

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